

REMARKS

This application is a divisional of U.S. Serial No. 10/144,493 which was subject to a restriction requirement between Group I (claims 1-16) to an article, Group II (claim 17) to a resistance heater, and Group III (claims 18-28) to a method. The parent application has now been allowed and is subject to a terminal disclaimer in view of co-pending U.S. Serial No. 10/144,633.

Applicants here present original claim 17 (Group II) for consideration. Claims 1-16 and 18-28 have been canceled. New claims 29-40 have been added.

Entry of this Preliminary Amendment is believed to be proper and is respectfully requested.

No new matter has been added.

Claims 17 and 29-40 are pending.

Applicants submit that the claims are in condition for allowance, and an early favorable response is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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